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Appln. No. 10/018,210
Amendment dated September 15, 2005
Reply to Office Action of June 15, 2005

Attorney Docket No. 01685/LH

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant : Tsukasa HATTORI et al.
Serial No. : 10/018,210
Filed : October 30, 2001.
For : OPTICAL-SIGNAL
AUTOCORRELATION-BIT-ERROR
DETECTION APPARATUS AND
METHOD USING OPTICAL
BRANCH SYSTEM
Art Unit : 2633
Examiner : Agustin Bello
Confirm. No.: 2688
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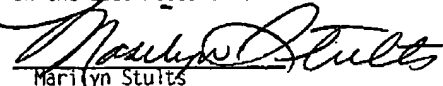
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